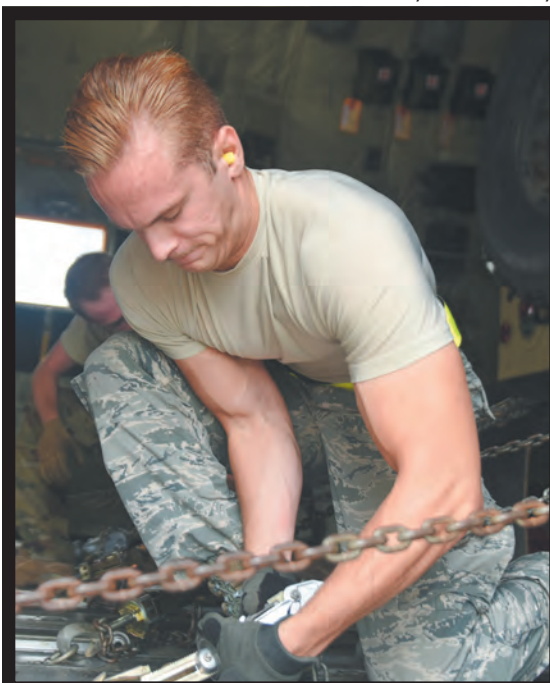


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Cascadia contingencies incorporate joint training

By Airman 1st Class Rhett Isbell
19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Cascadia.

It's a subduction zone along the western coast of the United States set to cause an earthquake every few hundred years capable of devastating much of the western seaboard in a matter of minutes.

To minimize the fallout of such a catastrophic event, Kingsley Field, Oregon, was designated as a potential collection point for relief efforts in the event of a natural disaster. Little Rock Air Force Base was called upon to assist Kingsley Field in demonstrating the demands and capabilities of airlift in a sustained humanitarian aid situation during Cascadia Airlift Exercise 2018.

"It's a two-in-one exercise," said Lt. Col. Christopher Wright, 173rd Fighter Wing chief of wing plans. "The main objective is to be able to host airlift-centered planes during a humanitarian response to the Cascadia earthquake and identify limiting factors in being able to properly manage them. We also had the added benefit of being able to have the C-130s and F-15Cs fly together."

Having prior experience flying C-130s, Wright felt that Little Rock's robust combat airlift capability would be a perfect fit for generating the data necessary to lay the groundwork for hosting a large-scale humanitarian mission.

"We performed a stress test of Kingsley Field's real-world capabilities to bring in aid immediately following a tsunami or earthquake disaster," said Capt. Derek Potter, 61st Airlift Squadron C-130J pilot. "I think it was a great learning experience for us and believe the unit here got what they needed to perform their mission successfully."

Along with testing Kingsley Fields airlift capabilities, Little Rock Air Force Base was able to conduct joint training operations with the F-15 formal training unit including; air-to-air engagements and escort tactics to the benefit of both units. Both units also found it helpful to be able to sit down and discuss what was and wasn't effective in the air.

"One of the mission sets we train to is offensive counter air," said Capt. Chris DuBois, 114th Fighter Squadron F-15C instructor pilot, "which means getting an asset into a contested area. Working with the C-130s, we were



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS RHETT ISBELL

Staff Sgt. George Childres, 41st Airlift Squadron loadmaster, scans the skies over Oregon July 14 at Kingsley Field, Ore. Childres worked to keep F-15Cs from Kingsley Field, Ore., in sight during engagements.

able to practice for this mission a lot more effectively and see what it's like to integrate with them for the mission."

Working to optimize mission time and manpower, LRAFB and Kingsley Field took the first steps towards a more effectively cared for coast and higher quality Air Force.

"I feel like this was a great first start, and there needs

to be more exercises like this because you can never have enough practice for Cascadia," Wright said. "It's going to be a joint effort, and we need to tie ourselves together more. It's invaluable training, and I hope we can set up a curriculum for the school house at LRAFB and for the school house here in the future."

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Air Force Reserve family helps Airman go active duty

By Senior Airman Grace Nichols
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With 850 miles in the rearview, a 22 year old pulled up to Little Rock Air Force Base with a mixture of nerves and excitement as he focused on the road before him. Once greeted by a smiling Airman, he knew this moment marked the start of a journey he had been seeking for the past year.

This was his first active-duty location, but wasn't the beginning of his Air Force career. U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Gregory Cantoni, previously a 69th Aerial Port Squadron aerial porter at Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland, had made another nerve-wracking journey to Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland for Basic Military Training previously. Similar to only 20 percent of the 1 percent who join the military, he served with the U.S. Air Force Reserve.

"My family has a long military history, and it was something I admired," Cantoni said. "But I wasn't entirely certain I wanted to fully commit to the Air Force, and I thought going to college through the Air Force Reserves would be easier than trying to do that active."

After getting a full-time job with a technology company traveling the U.S. in addition to his reservist job as an aerial porter, he found it nearly impossible to achieve his education goals.

"There were a lot of stressful moments in my personal life," Cantoni said. "I had to put college on hold to get a more secure job. I realized I joined the reserves partly for education and I was doing all this stuff to go to college, and I couldn't even do that because of what was going on in my life."

Cantoni continued to work hard in the reserves, which propelled him toward multiple opportunities and kept education as an option despite his personal challenges. Part of the Air Force Reserve mission to take care of Airmen is a seasonal training program which allows top-notch reservists to go active duty for 90 days at participating installations.

It was during one of these assignments to Charleston, South Carolina, that the wanderlust-stricken Cantoni received a different perspective and a solution to his problem.

"I was essentially active duty for 90 days in Charleston, and I absolutely loved it," Cantoni said. "A year later, I came back from my two-week annual tour from Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and I was put on orders for the commander support staff in my unit; I was active duty for another three months."

It was at this point the seed was planted



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY SENIOR AIRMAN GRACE NICHOLS

U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Gregory Cantoni, 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron aerial delivery element member, secures a high mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicle inside a C-130J at Little Rock Air Force Base on July 31. Cantoni served in the Air Force Reserves before transitioning into active duty.

and the aerial porter realized he needed more.

"It was through moments of realizing I liked the structure of military life and the fact that every civilian job I had didn't give me that or job security that pushed me toward active duty."

With very few exceptions, one cannot simply transfer from the Reserve component to active duty. One must get an approved discharge from the Reserves component of service and then separately process for enlistment or commission for an active-duty service.

A member of good standing can apply to the reserves for a conditional release, a document stating that the Reserve component agrees to release them from the remainder of their commitment if they are accepted for enlistment or appointment to an active-duty service component.

Cantoni's unit didn't let him go it alone. His years of dedication motivated his commanders and coworkers to share the load, and Cantoni's stars changed.

"I got an email from my recruiter saying that the Air Force was making a push for a limited number of reservists to go active

duty," the prior reservist remembered. "I immediately called and told him I wanted to sign up."

It turned out that his unit had unknowingly prepared him for this transition nearly a year before by placing him in CSS. Cantoni's knowledge about paperwork and receiving information aided in his quest.

"Day after day, Airman Cantoni proved how capable and valuable he was," said U.S. Air Force Reserves Tech. Sgt. Antony Lee, Cantoni's CSS supervisor and 69th Aerial Port Squadron Ramp Services supervisor at Joint-Base Andrews, Maryland. "I once thought it was a shame Airman Cantoni didn't join active duty in the first place because he has so much to contribute. When I found out he was going from Reserve to active duty, I was extremely proud and happy for him."

With this encouragement, and his knowledge from his time in CSS, six months of paper work, qualifications, tests and more, Cantoni had finally achieved his goal:

transition from the Reserve component to active duty.

Fast forward to the present, Cantoni is celebrating one year on active duty as an element member of the 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron aerial delivery operations center in his original careerfield.

Part of a unified team of professional Airmen, Cantoni uses his knowledge to ensure installation excellence and mentor the Airmen in his shop.

"He came with experience and a great attitude," said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Ryan Pawlicki, 19th LRS aerial delivery operations center supervisor. "He brings great insight on how our job works to the younger Airmen in the careerfield."

For more information on how to join the Air Force Reserve, go to www.afreserve.com, or contact Tech. Sgt. Shantel Rolfe at 318-716-0259.

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Airmen, families destress with Brazilian jiuitsu

By Senior Airman Grace Nichols
19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

As students bow to the instructor, all stresses from the day fade away as Airmen and civilians from Little Rock Air Force Base channel their troubles into gentle but deliberate movements of precision as they begin a Brazilian Jiuitsu class.

Brazilian jiuitsu, or BJJ, is a submission-based martial art focused on ground-work and grappling, both of which are forms of wrestling. While it can be challenging, it can also lead to a sense of mental and physical confidence.

"Airmen can come here to get a sense of community so they're not stuck in the dorms," said Letia Eclavea, military spouse and University of Maryland University College student. "Getting out more can help them be more resilient for the military lifestyle."

The class is taught by U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Peter Beyer, 19th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter, and his wife, Eclavea. They share a passion for Brazilian jiuitsu and host free training sessions Monday through Thursday at the Fitness Center on Little Rock Air Force Base.

"When we came to Little Rock, there weren't a lot of people who did BJJ and there wasn't availability on base," Eclavea said. "There was a need, so I thought we could fill it."

To the students, the class could be the difference between succumbing to the stress of day or coming to the mat and grappling troubles away.

"No matter if I'm having a bad day or not, I can't wait to go to BJJ," said U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Audrey Schaad, 19th Airlift Wing Postal Service Center apprentice. "I feel comfortable in my own skin here and am able to be myself. If I'm having a hard day, I can have a good roll on the mat and unwind from the day."

BJJ helps stimulate the mind, body and spirit while creating social bonds, which strengthen the four pillars of Comprehensive Airman Fitness. CAF is a program built to sustain a thriving and resilient Air Force community through mental, physical, social and spiritual fitness.

"The last eight months of BJJ have made me more confident, and because of that I feel like a better person, and I've met a lot of amazing people here," Schaad said.

The pillars don't just apply to Airmen. One of the class's youngest students,



Letia Eclavea, military spouse and University of Maryland University College student, teaches Airmen and civilians sparring during a Brazilian jiuitsu class at Little Rock Air Force Base on Aug. 3. The class teaches students various techniques for self-defense.

Marshall Thorn, 8, also benefits from learning control through the martial arts.

"Martial arts are always a good way to instill confidence and discipline in children," said Marshall's father, U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Nathan Thorn, Arkansas U.S. Air Force Reserve recruiter. "It's good for him because he's always going to be a little smaller [because of genetics]. BJJ is geared toward technique versus being bigger and stronger. It's right for him because it instills confidence so he doesn't feel like he's going to get bullied and be afraid."

Students of BJJ learn how to remain calm in high-pressure and physically uncomfortable situations. This is especially useful to military families who may be without their member for long periods.

"Not everyone's ready for a violent attack," Eclavea said. "The class gives individuals the knowledge to know how to defend themselves, giving the military

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U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Ryan Maxey, 41st Airlift Squadron loadmaster, inspects the props of a C-130J at Kingsley Field, Oregon, July 14. Maxey is tasked with performing preflight checks on the entire aircraft before each flight.

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Loadmasters: Aerial excellence through continuous training

By Airman 1st Class Rhett Isbell
19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Hopping from an undisclosed location in Afghanistan to multiple bases in the U.S., while carrying thousands of pounds of cargo in a few months, loadmasters ensure the safety and integrity of everything from packages to people aboard their aircraft.

Keeping up with such a demanding career field can be a little overwhelming at times, but thanks to training during a temporary deployment to Kingsley Field, Oregon, loadmasters from Little Rock Air Force Base were able to sharpen skills used both in-garrison and deployed.

"The basic duties of a loadmaster are weight and balancing of the aircraft," said U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Ryan Maxey, 41st Airlift Squadron NCO in charge of standards and evaluations. "Making sure we're within limits for all operations including: airdrops, take-offs and landings, assisting the pilots with preflight checks and inflight emergencies."

Juggling all of these responsibilities in multiple environments requires flexibility and complete knowledge of their role in accomplishing the mission. Loadmasters must train constantly to be able to

efficiently execute that role.

"The training has to be there," Maxey said. "You can't hope to accomplish something for the first time, while deployed. You need a level of proficiency built up from training before taking that task on."

Enduring the transition period from learning to acting can be strenuous, but Little Rock loadmasters managed the successful operation of a critical role of a bubbler during the training. A bubbler is a loadmaster who will sit in a plastic bubble in the top of the aircraft to check for dangers radar might not be able to detect.

"You go over these tactics to be able to survive," said Staff Sgt. George Childres, 41st Airlift Squadron instructor loadmaster. "To be able to go over these tactics is crucial."

While effectively utilizing these tactics during an exercise and out in the field are two totally separate acts, Maxey is confident that Little Rock loadmasters are training to win-the-fight.

"Everybody's life is on the line in combat situations and we can't have any idle hands," Maxey said. "For us to be training like this helps us survive those situations and get home safe."

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LRAFB accepts military aircraft in response to Hurricane Michael

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Little Rock Air Force Base received various aircraft and personnel Oct. 8-9 from Hurlburt Field, Fla., and Moody Air Force Base, Ga., ahead of the projected landfall of Hurricane Michael.

AC-130J Ghostriders, AC-130U Spooky gunships, MC-130H Combat Talon IIs, and A-10 Thunderbolt IIs are bedding down at Little Rock AFB until the potential for bad weather ends.

The aircraft relocated as a precaution to the the expected landfall of Hurricane Michael along the Florida Panhandle and East Coast.



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Multiple A-10 Thunderbolt IIs assigned to Moody Air Force Base, Ga., taxi to a parking spot after landing at Little Rock Air Force Base, Ark., Oct. 9, 2018. Aircraft and personnel were evacuated as a precaution to protect them from Hurricane Michael. The A-10, commonly referred to as the Warthog, has excellent maneuverability at low air speeds and altitude, and is a highly accurate and survivable weapons-delivery platform. The aircraft can loiter near battle areas for extended periods of time and operate in low ceiling and visibility conditions.

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Thunder Over the Rock Air and Space Show comes to Little Rock AFB

By Senior Airman Grace Nichols

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Thousands of spectators gather around a line of four C-130 Hercules representing the units that make up the Home of Combat Airlift at show center of the Thunder Over the Rock Air and Space Show to stare in awe as the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds soar overhead Oct. 27-28.

Both days featured aerial demonstrations such as the C-130 Hercules capability exercise, the U.S. Air Force Academy Wings of Blue and U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute jump teams, and the world-famous U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, in addition to a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics festival that ran all weekend.

The airshow kicked off with a demonstration by the U.S. Air Force Academy Wings of Blue parachute jump team with a cadet floating to show center trailing a U.S. flag while the national anthem played. U.S. Air Force Col. Gerald Donohue, 19th Airlift Wing commander, delivered opening remarks welcoming the community and thanking them for their vital support.

"We talk about unrivaled air power," Donohue said. "But what is truly unrivaled is the support we enjoy from our community."

Team Little Rock also treated spectators to an exhibition of the aircraft that enables projecting and sustaining agile combat airlift. From carrying heavy cargo to performing low-level maneuvers, visitors learned the true versatility of the C-130J Hercules during a live demonstration.

"This weekend was about showcasing the Air Force - and Team Little Rock specifically - to our incredibly supportive community," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Ryan Williams, air and space show director.

Attendees of all ages got a glimpse of the versatility and joint interoperability of the C-130 Hercules during a capability exercise that featured airdrop of heavy equipment, a Humvee, and 200 paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

"It was amazing to see the crowd's reaction to the CAPEX, which really highlighted what the C-130 can do," said U.S. Air Force Maj. Jared Jones, air and space show director of operations. "We often talk about our role in projecting and sustaining combat airlift. This weekend, it was on display for everyone to see."

Spectators also got to see a heritage flight formation that included a C-47 Skytrain, as well as C-130H and C-130J Hercules, highlighting the legacy of the Air Force's global mobility capability.

"The heritage flight was a perfect symbol for Thunder Over the Rock," Williams said. "It showed the history of airlift next to our modern capabilities and hopefully inspired our guests to think about the future of combat airlift and Team Little Rock's continued role in it."

The airfield featured ground attractions, including the 19th Security Forces Squadron K-9 demonstration, static displays



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Parachutists land after the C-130 capabilities demonstration during the Thunder Over the Rock Air and Space Show at Little Rock Air Force Base on Oct. 27. The gates to Little Rock AFB were open to the public for the air show to showcase aerial performances such as the U.S. Army Golden Knights and the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds along with highlighting other capabilities of the U.S. Air Force.

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U.S. Air Force Airmen and U.S. Army Soldiers place flags together at graves of service members in observance of Veterans Day at Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery in North Little Rock on Nov. 7. In the U.S., Veterans Day is commemorated with ceremonial events such as parades and wreath-laying ceremonies to honor those who have served, and continue to serve.



A U.S. Air Force Airman places a flag at the grave of a service member in observance of Veterans Day at Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery in North Little Rock on Nov. 7. Veterans Day, on Nov. 11 every year, is a federal holiday in the United States to honor all those who have served in the U.S. military.

Service members, families observe Veterans Day

By Senior Airman Grace Nichols
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Service members, families and community members from the surrounding area observed Veterans Day by placing flags on the graves of service members at the Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery in North Little Rock on Nov. 7.

The remembrance was carried out at other cemeteries throughout the state as a precursor to Veterans Day, which is held on Nov. 11 every year.

Veterans Day is commemorated with ceremonial events such as parades and wreath-laying ceremonies to honor those who have served, and those who continue to serve.

"Coming out here with my fellow service members and community was a great exercise in camaraderie," said Staff Sgt. Frank Mitchell, volunteer and 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment supervisor. "Honoring veterans with the



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A child places a flag at the grave of a service member in observance of Veterans Day at Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery in North Little Rock Nov. 7. In addition to the U.S., Veterans Day is also celebrated in the United Kingdom, France, Canada, Australia, Malta and South Africa.

flag we all enlisted under gives me the sense of serving alongside them."

Veterans Day originated as Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1919, a year after the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938.

"The patriots that were called before us, fought for and secured the way of life we cherish today," said U.S. Air Force Gen. Maryanne Miller, Air Mobility Command commander, in her Veterans Day message. "Now, you have volunteered to pick up that sacred mantle and carry it for America. We are humbled to earn the lifelong title of Veteran because it carries with it the love, respect and trust of our nation."

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AMC commander talks care for Airmen, readiness

By Airman 1st Class Kristine M. Gruwell
19th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Team Little Rock Airmen had the opportunity to interact with and tell their stories to Gen. Maryanne Miller, commander of Air Mobility Command, during a Nov. 1-2 visit to Little Rock Air Force Base.

The two-day visit began at the base chapel, where Miller met with representatives from various organizations. This included the mental health office, casualty assistance team, sexual assault prevention and response office and chapel team – all of whom are focused on providing coordinated, proactive care for Airmen and their families.

“There is no more important thing we can do as leaders than take care of our Airmen,” Miller said. “The quicker we can get them the help they need, the better they will be in the long run; that is what this team is focused on.”

Miller sat down with spouses and shared her thoughts on the importance of retaining and developing Air Force families. Team Little Rock Airmen then had a chance to explain a localized approach to programs such as Airman Leadership School and the Commander’s Right Start Course, which focus on developing Airmen.

“As we pivot toward focusing on and improving our full-spectrum readiness as an organization, we are taking a look at how we, at the flight level, can have an impact on that,” said Capt. Fiona Pham, 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron materiel management flight commander, referring to how Team Little Rock is specifically looking at developing junior officers with the Flight Leadership Course. “We think it is important to develop families, so we are bringing spouses into the course as well.”

Miller provided insight into the reason leaders should focus on developing Airmen for tomorrow.

“What does the Mobility Airman of the future need to look like?” Miller asked.

The first day concluded with a hands-on event led by two vehicle maintenance Airmen who assisted Miller in changing a government-owned vehicle’s alternator. While working, Airmen highlighted

the partnership between the 19th Airlift Wing and the 189th Airlift Wing, who together have eliminated the requirement for a duplicate vehicle maintenance facility by consolidating to one location, resulting in saved resources and time.

Day two afforded the opportunity to experience Camp Warlord – Team Little Rock’s on-base, exercise deployment zone used for readiness training. There, Miller saw facilities that have been revitalized by the 19th AW’s efforts to improve full-spectrum readiness over the last year.

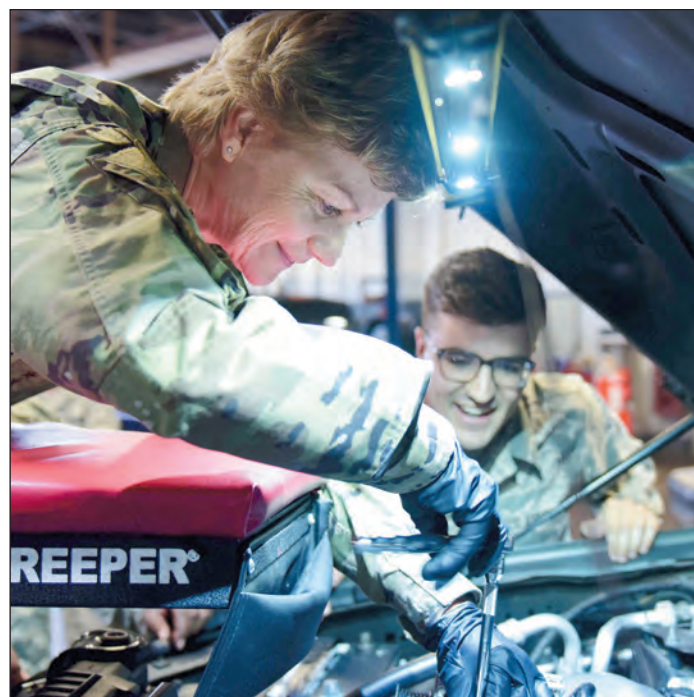
“Recapitalizing on our training facilities at Camp Warlord has really bolstered our readiness efforts,” said U.S. Air Force Col. Gerald Donohue, 19th AW commander. “It has allowed us to train aggressively right here at Little Rock AFB, and then turn around and get our Airmen home to their beds. That has been instrumental to our successes at honing our readiness skills for tomorrow’s fight where we will need to be able to project and sustain combat airlift in degraded and contested environments.”

Shifting from the training environment to real-world operations, Miller entered a room full of 61st Airlift Squadron Airmen. Representatives addressed efforts toward providing more predictable and effective training for aircrew that enhances full-spectrum readiness at the unit level. Those in attendance discussed the current state of deployments and training.

“We need to take a look at how you’ve been deploying and see where we can improve the lives of our families and retain airlift Airmen,” Miller said. “Maintaining our competitive advantage requires continuous investment in our people and capabilities.”

This discussion continued in an all-call with Airmen from base, focusing on achieving mobility objectives in contested environments, but ending on an important note: taking care of each other at all levels.

“We are not all required to do great things, but we’re required to do things with great love,” Miller said, while sharing personal experiences. “Our job is to make sure that while developing leaders, we are looking out for our Airmen and for their resilience at all levels.”



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS KRISTINE M. GRUWELL

Air Force Gen. Maryanne Miller, Air Mobility Command commander, changes a government-owned vehicle’s alternator with the assistance of Air Force Senior Airman Jesse Tuthill, 19th Logistics Readiness Squadron mission generating vehicle equipment apprentice at Little Rock Air Force Base on Nov. 1. Airmen highlighted the partnership between the 19th Airlift Wing and the 189th AW, who together have eliminated the requirements for a duplicate vehicle maintenance facility by consolidating to one location, resulting in saved resources and time.

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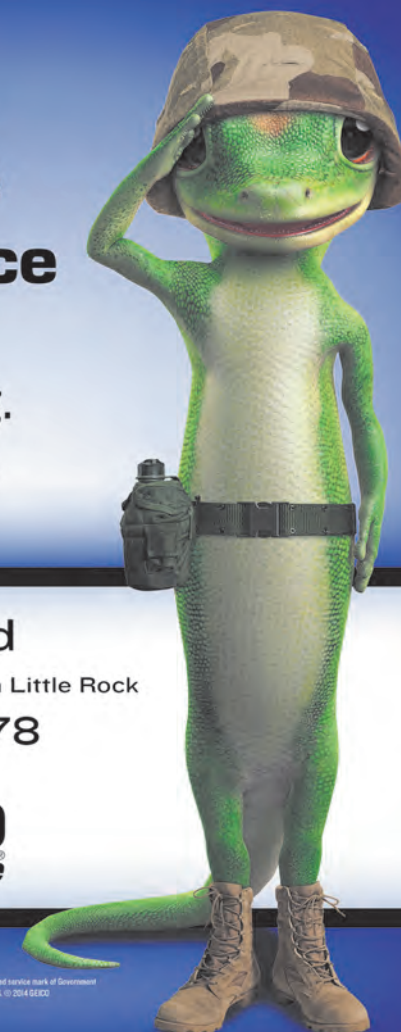
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Show

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of dozens of modern and vintage aircraft, a kid zone play area, informational booths and other activities for different age ranges and interests. While the STEM Fest went all weekend, a more immersive field trip day was held Oct. 26 for school-aged children from across the state of Arkansas to expand their horizons and generate interest in science-oriented careers.

Beyond the tailspins, Airmen worked the event to ensure guests had a good experience by explaining aircraft history, giving information about exhibits and keeping the installation secure.

"This was a team effort — specifically a Team Little Rock effort," Donohue said. "Today was about giving back to the community, and that couldn't have happened without the efforts of our Airmen and community partners."



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY STAFF SGT. JEREMY MCGUFFIN

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds fly in formation during an aerial act for the Thunder Over the Rock Air and Space Show at Little Rock Air Force Base on Oct. 27. The air show showcased other aerial demonstrations such as the U.S. Army Golden Knights and a C-130 heritage flight.

Destress

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member peace of mind knowing their families are doing something productive that won't leave them defenseless."

No matter the background or personal struggles, Airmen and their families can find solace and confidence on the classroom mat or in the competition ring.

"I want to improve here, which makes me want to improve in life; I feel like I'm not as shy as I was before BJJ," Schaad said. "It helped me not miss my family as much and reminded me I could have a life by coming here and talking to people. It's kept me going."

(Editor's Note: The 19th Force Support Squadron does not sponsor the Brazilian jujitsu sessions. These are currently free but is subject to change.)



U.S. AIR FORCE PHOTO BY STAFF SGT. JEREMY MCGUFFIN

An A-10 Thunderbolt II assigned to Moody Air Force Base, Ga., taxis to a parking spot after landing at Little Rock Air Force Base as a C-130J from the 19th Airlift Wing takes off Oct. 9. Aircraft and personnel were evacuated as a precaution to protect them from Hurricane Michael. The A-10, commonly referred to as the Warthog, has excellent maneuverability at low air speeds and altitude and is a highly accurate and survivable weapons-delivery platform. The aircraft can loiter near battle areas for extended periods of time and operate in low ceiling and visibility conditions. The wide combat radius and short takeoff and landing capability permit operations in and out of locations near front lines.

Hurricane

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The relocation to Little Rock AFB ensures aircraft and aircrews from those installations are out of harm's way until

they can safely return to their home station.

"While this move is precautionary, our doors are always open to ensure Airmen and Air Force assets remain safe during inclement weather such as this," said Col. Gerald Donohue, 19th Airlift Wing commander.

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